



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 03419.0023-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Satoshi SAITO et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1633
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Application No.: 10/507,129)	Examiner: Scott Long
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Filing Date: April 11, 2005)	
)	Confirmation No.: 8898
For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING)	
ETHANOL PRODUCTION AND MASS)	
PRODUCTION OF LACTIC ACID AND)	
TRANSFORMANT THEREFOR)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

In reply to the Final Office Action dated March 13, 2009, and with a Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper, beginning on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.